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APC #557
27 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Report on Planning and Execution of Operational Mission,
26 November 1944, Misburg, Germany.

TO : Commanding Officer, 92nd Bombardment Group(H)AAF, APC 557.

1. Comment on Planning and Execution.

a. The bomb loading for this operation was received from Headquarters 40th Combat Wing by Capt Hertz at 2300 hours, 25 November, 1944. The order called for twenty-two (22) B-17's plus two (2) PFF aircraft to be loaded with 12 X 500 GP bombs each with 1/10 second nose fuse and 1/40 second tail fuse.

b. The Field Order was received from Headquarters, 1st Bomb Division by Capt Hertz at 0030 hours, 25 November 1944. Flight plans and details of the mission were completed, briefing being set for 0500 hours and take-off time 0810 hours.

2. General Narrative.

a. Twenty-four (24) aircraft including two (2) PFF a/c of the 92nd Group began take-off at 0810 hours for assembly on the Honeybourne Buncher at 9000 and 8000 feet to form the Lead and Low Squadrons of the 40th "C" Group, third in the 1st Air Division.

b. The Group left the buncher on time on course and flew the briefed route over England departing the coast on time on course. The prescribed route was flown to the IP where it was decided to make a PFF run to a very effective smoke screen covering the target area. Bombing results were observed to be good. Bombs were released on a magnetic heading of 250 degrees, 1216 hours from a true altitude of 23,900 feet. The lead aircraft was knocked out of formation by a direct burst of flak in the #4 engine. The deputy leader took over and brought the group home over the briefed withdrawal route. The group carried out the S.O.P. break-up procedure, the lead ship arriving over base at 1520 hours.

3. Aircraft Not Attacking.

a. None.

4. Aircraft Lost.

a. A/C #42-31801 was hit by a direct flak burst in #4 engine which caught fire and the A/C slipped out of formation shortly after bombs away. However, a message was received by the group D/F station at 1323 hours that the ship was proceeding to Antwerp. At this time nothing further has been heard from the A/C.

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GROUP		STATISTICAL REPORT OF OPERATIONS DIVISION FIELD ORDER NUMBER 564				MISSION DATE 28/11/44			
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		Lead	BORROWED PFF A/C	Low	BORROWED PFF A/C	BORROWED PFF A/C	BORROWED PFF A/C	BORROWED PFF A/C	BORROWED PFF A/C
	Number of Aircraft Failing to Take Off	0		0					
	Number of Aircraft Airborne	12		12					
	Number of Aircraft Airborne Less Unused Spares	12		12					
	Number of Aircraft Sorties	12		12					
	Number of Aircraft Attacking	12		12					
	Number of Aircraft Not Attacking	0		0					
	Name of Primary Target								
	(A) No. of Aircraft attacking Primary Target								
	(B) No. size and type of bombs								
	Name of Secondary Target								
	(A) No. of Aircraft attacking Secondary Target								
	(B) No. size and type of bombs								
	Name of Last Resort Target (LRT)								
	(A) No. of Aircraft attacking LRT								
	(B) No. size and type of bombs								
	Name of Target of Opportunity (T.O.)								
	(A) No. of Aircraft attacking T.O.								
	(B) No., size and type of bombs								
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